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### Santa Claus and the Mouse.

One Christmas eve, when Santa Claus  
Came to a certain house,  
To fill the children's stockings there,  
He found a little mouse.

"A merry Christmas, little friend,"  
Said Santa, good and kind.  
"The same to you, sir," said the mouse;  
"I thought you wouldn't mind."

"If I should stay awake to-night  
And watch you for awhile,  
"You're very welcome, little mouse,"  
Said Santa, with a smile.

And then he filled the stockings up  
Before the mouse could wink;  
From toe to top, from top to toe,  
There wasn't left a link.

"Now, they're all another thing,"  
Said Santa Claus, with pride,  
A twinkling came in mouse's eye,  
But humbly he replied:

"It's not polite to contradict,  
Your pardon I implore,  
But in the fullest stocking there  
I could put one thing more."

"Oh, ho!" laughed Santa, "silly mouse!  
Don't you know how to pack?  
By filling stockings all these years,  
I should have learned the knack."

And then he took the stocking down  
From where it hung so high,  
And said: "Now put in one thing more;  
I give you leave to try."

The mouse chuckled to himself,  
And then he softly stole  
Right to the stocking's crowded toe  
And gnawed a little hole!

"Now, if you please, good Santa Claus,  
I've put in one thing more;  
For you will own that little hole  
Was not in there before."

How Santa Claus did laugh and laugh  
And then he gayly spoke:  
"Well, you shall have a Christmas cheese  
For that nice little joke!"

—Emilie Poulsson in St. Nicholas.

### PLANET JUPITER.

#### His Wonderful Physical Changes as Revealed by the Telescope.

Jupiter, the greatest world in the solar system, a planet in comparison with which the earth is a crumb, a planet, says the New York Sun, is just now the most conspicuous celestial object, after the sun and the moon. Venus is brighter, but she sets so early that her big brother practically has the field to himself, and she shines among the lesser lights of the firmament like an alderman's diamond at a ball. Jupiter is well up in the southeastern heavens by 9 o'clock, and to find him is only necessary to look for the brightest star then visible. His light is yellowish and steady, while Sirius, the only star which could possibly be mistaken for Jupiter, on account of its brilliancy, shines with a dazzling white light, in which shifting rainbow hues may at times be seen. It is the steadiness of Jupiter's light which reveals at once to the practised eye his planetary nature. Turn a spectroscopic upon him, and immediately the familiar lines which characterize sunlight are seen. It is a thought calculated to give a vivid conception of the magnificent scale on which the solar system is constructed, that, although between 400,000,000 and 500,000,000 miles from the earth, Jupiter is so brilliantly illuminated by the sun that he shines like a star in the depths of space.

But it is when viewed with a good telescope that Jupiter is most interesting, and just now he is not only well situated for telescopic study, but is undergoing wonderful physical changes which manifest themselves in the appearance of his surface. The great red spot has faded into a grayish spot which is only visible at times, and which is surrounded by a peculiar aureole. This wonderful spot, which suddenly appeared in 1876 like a continent of red hot rock thrust up through the ocean of dense vapors surrounding the giant planet, began to lose its fiery color a year ago, and a veil seemed to be drawn over it which grew thicker until only glimpses of the red color could be caught shining dimly as if through a superincumbent mass of vapor. Even yet persevering observers, armed with large telescopes, report that the fading red spot can occasionally be seen; and a small telescope will show plainly the singular indentations in the great south belt of Jupiter, opposite the place where the red spot was. An idea of the extensive scale of nature's operations on Jupiter may be formed from the fact that the red spot was no less than 30,000 miles long and 6000 or 7000 broad. It has been thought a very wonderful thing that a small island sank out of sight during the volcanic disturbance in Java last August; but if two-thirds of the whole area of the United States should sink into the bowels of the earth, the surface change would be comparatively no greater than that wrought by the disappearance of the red spot on Jupiter. The belts of Jupiter have of late been changing, not only in color, but in form, number and arrangement, and their varying aspects furnish an endless source of interest to the students with a telescope.

Other phenomena of Jupiter's system, which can now be well observed, are the transits of his moons across his disk. The observer sees one of the little moons approaching the planet. Long before it reaches it a round black spot appears upon the edge of the shining disk and advances slowly across it. This is the shadow of the satellite, and by fixing the position of the sun in his mind the observer will perceive that a straight line drawn from the black spot on Jupiter through the little moon would just hit the sun; consequently, whenever that black spot appears on Jupiter the sun is eclipsed. After a time he will see the satellite itself pass across Jupiter's disk as a round light gray spot, beautifully contrasted with its jet black shadow. As Jupiter has four moons, and they revolve around him, these phenomena are of frequent occurrence. The great planet also rotates so swiftly on its axis that during a single evening the observer may behold its huge globe turn half way round; and, if he chooses to remain at the telescope all night, he may witness a complete rotation of Jupiter on its axis, so that a spot on the planet's equator which he saw at 8 o'clock in the evening will again be visible in the same place at about 6 o'clock in the morning, having in 10 hours made a circuit of 270,000 miles!

What a tremendous machine is the solar system!

### Terrible Accident at Tacoma.

[Tacoma News, December 27.]  
On the 19th, at about 6 o'clock, Peter S. Jansen, acting foreman of Hanson's mill, met with a frightful death. He was down in the lower part of the mill with three other men, all engaged in repairing a broken belt. Suddenly he was caught by the whirling shaft and pulley around which the belt was intended to go, and in an instant was a mangled corpse. At the inquest on Thursday, held by coroner Bostwick, the three companions of Jansen testified to the same account of the accident. Their names

names are George Grant, Wm. McMullen and F. W. Sullivan. According to their story they were down in the dark hole through which the belt runs, working by the light of a lantern. Jansen was holding the belt, while the others did the lacing; and it is supposed that in hitching the belt over his arm to hold it more easily he brought either his coat or the belt in contact with the rapidly revolving pulley just behind him, and was wound around the shaft and bent against the hangings. It was done so very quickly that none of the other men had seen the accident at all. Knowing that something had happened, they ran to the engine and stopped it, returning to find their comrade a shapeless mass of flesh. He was literally torn to pieces. It was an hour before one foot was found and when the remains were all gathered together they formed but little resemblance to a man. The witnesses were all of the opinion that Jansen's death was caused by his own carelessness.

A jury of four inquired into the facts of the case and returned a verdict in conformity with the above story, deprecating, however, the habit of repairing machinery when in motion. Jansen was a native of Denmark, aged 34 years, and leaves a wife and one child and a brother in Tacoma to mourn his death. He had been an employee at the mill for several years and was a steady, industrious man, well liked by all who knew him.

### A LIVELY GIRL.

#### Making Furniture Walk Around in a Very Queer Manner.

ROME, Ga., Dec. 21.—The Cherokee section of Georgia is greatly excited over the manifestations of Miss Lulu Hurst, the 15-year-old daughter of William Hurst, a substantial farmer of Polk county. The stories told of such a strange character that Col. Freeman of the Cedar town Advertiser, Dr. F. M. Liddell, and several other prominent citizens went out to Hurst's residence for the purpose of investigating them. They found the young lady to be the picture of health, and of modest manner. Upon a request to manifest some of her newly-developed powers, she arose and placed her hands upon the back of a common chair, which soon began to move, first slowly, then violently. The doctor was requested to hold the chair, but, being unable to do so alone, then three men, tried with no better effect. Apparently there was not a particle of physical force used by the young lady, her hands merely resting carelessly on the back of the chair. On a previous occasion four of the stoutest men in the neighborhood had found it impossible to hold the chair. A large, old-fashioned bedstead stood with its head back in the corner of the room. On the foot of the bed Miss Lulu placed her hand gently, and the bed arose two feet in the air and moved swiftly around the room. Miss Lulu Winberly, a cousin of Miss Lulu, while in bed recently, heard a thumping noise in the headboard, which she thought was produced by her cousin with her fingers, and requested her to stop and go to sleep. Miss Lulu protested innocence, yet the sound grew more audible. A playful remark that it should strike her caused a sensation like a shock felt by Miss Winberly about the face. The sound was then called to manifest itself where commanded about the bed, and the bed was finally commanded to move, and to the wonder of the occupants, rolled briskly around the room. This is the circumstance which led to subsequent experiments. On a recent occasion, while Miss Lulu was lying across the bed, she thought of some favorite art, when its music emanated strangely from the headboard of the bed and was heard by more than half a dozen persons sitting around the room. On another occasion an uncle, above the ordinary weight, sat in a chair, his feet on the rounds, while the lady placed her hand with an under grip on the upper back of the chair and lifted him across the floor. These people know nothing of spiritualism, and are sorely troubled by manifestations which they deem the work of an evil spirit. People from far and near come daily to see and hear the latest developments.

### Guinea's Bones.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—A Washington special to the Inter Ocean says: Guinea's skeleton has at last been articulated and hidden in a private room of the army medical museum, but it has been deemed best to deny the public admission to the room, at least for the present. An improved French method was adopted for placing the bones in position, the vertebrae being held in position by three large brass screws attached to a perpendicular brass rod about an inch in diameter. One of the most skillful anatomists in this country superintended the operation, and great care was taken to see that none of the bones were carried off. When Guinea's body was first brought to the museum, a daring employee succeeded in eluding the watchman and cut off a small piece of flesh, which he has since exhibited in alcohol. Repeated polishing and bleaching has given the articulated skeleton the appearance of an ivory figure, and the few who have been allowed access to the room in which he is stored pronounce it a creditable piece of anatomical work. Upon the occasion of Sergeant Mason's recent visit to Washington he was invited to call at the museum and inspect the bones of the assassin who had caused him so much trouble. The visitor eyed the skeleton curiously, and could not restrain from shaking his fist and muttering, "Your bones caused a heap of trouble in this land." Other relics of the assassin which are preserved in the museum were shown the sergeant, and he expressed himself much gratified at finding his intended victim had been so safely secured. It will be useless for visitors to attempt to see the skeleton, as the museum authorities have been compelled to adopt stringent rules against allowing strangers in the private room where it is kept. One of the first inquiries of the tourist after climbing the steps leading into the museum proper is for Guinea's skeleton or anything that belonged to him, and hundreds are daily disappointed by the watchman's stereotyped answer: "There is nothing of the sort on exhibition, sir." It is likely, however, that in the course of a few years the skeleton will be exhibited after a properly secured case has been secured for it.

Two southern preachers have been curiously affected recently. Rev. George Goodwin, a colored Savannah minister, has gone insane by reading a story of the Bible lending to the Christmas season. As the day passed his enthusiasm for the subject became worked up until he imagined himself one of the characters. He left his home, and going to a street corner denuded himself, declaring that he was John the Baptist, and that a greater than he was coming. The police had to take him in. In Cochran, Ga., a white Methodist clergyman, Rev. McGriff, is laboring under similar hallucinations, and imagining himself in the wilderness, living on wild locusts and honey.

Belgium, with a population of 5,500,000, spends 475,000,000 francs, or almost \$95,000,000, annually for whisky and beer. The average is more than \$17 per year per person. And here is the explanation. Belgium is a kingdom of free whisky; whoever will may conduct a retail liquor trade without any restriction. Bishop Ireland was not far wide of the truth in his forcible utterance, "Free whisky is free hell."

### Four Legs and Four Arms.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 16.—A female negro, 73 months old, which has four arms and four legs, is now in the care of Harry Farmer of No. 221 Walnut street, and is attracting much attention. The child moves its natural arms and legs as well as any child of its age, crawling about the floor and using its hands without constraint. The extra arms grow out from near the umbilicus, and are apparently attached to a gritty process which seems to be a continuation of the floating ribs of the opposite side. They have not developed at all, and have the same appearance as the arms of a new-born infant. They seem devoid of muscular power, but are provided with circulating apparatus which keeps them as well nourished as any other portion of the child's anatomy. The unnatural legs are apparently articulated to a prolongation of the anterior portion of the pelvis. They have grown somewhat since birth, but the joints are rigid at the hips, knees and ankles, although there is some capacity for voluntary movement in the toes. It is an intelligent little thing, regarding its numerous visitors with open-eyed wonder, and seldom crying, even when under physical examination. The mother of the child, who is from Charleston, S. C., says that she has borne five children, the last alone being in any way peculiar. She says the infant has been healthy from its birth.

### Worthy of Note.

[Chicago Tribune.]  
It may strike some people as strange that while Irish-born members of congress labored very zealously to obtain the revivification of "O'Donnell," and succeeded in inducing the United States government to use its good offices in his behalf, the Irish members of parliament have never once by word or action interfered to save or respite him. They addressed or held no meetings in his interests; they subscribed no funds for his defense. They took the verdict, as did their Irish constituents, with extraordinary equanimity. There was not a single public meeting held in any part of Ireland or a single petition sent from that country in O'Donnell's behalf. Parnell, Mealey, Sexton, Biggar, O'Connor, Davitt and the other Irish leaders have been as silent as sphinxes about the matter. This may seem strange, and suggests the idea that our Irish-born congressmen and our Irish orators are patriotically and oratorically influenced by climatic causes and the melancholy ocean which they crossed in coming to this country. It also suggests the idea that the Fenian patriots and invincible sympathizers in this country are more noisy than numerous and more Irish than the "Old-sod" Irish themselves.

There are exceptions to every general rule, but the following exception to the proverbial ingratitude of the Siwash, given by the Portland Sunday Welcome, is worthy of note: "Mrs. Swauk, residing on Montgomery street, some years ago took an Indian boy into her family and reared him till he was able to go out and earn his own living. He has been working out in the country for some time, and on Christmas called at the house of his benefactors, took her three daughters down town and bought each of them a handsome clock and a rich one for the mother, paying out in all \$100. It is a pleasure to make record of substantial gratitude like this, come it from what color or condition it may."

The nomination of presidential candidates goes on, and an estimate of the number now in the field would be like a guess at the number of beans in a bottle.

## MUSIC FOR EVERYBODY!

HENRY HUDEN OF THE MARSHFIELD SODA WORKS has accepted an agency for all kinds of musical instruments and is now SELLING PIANOS AND ORGANS ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN. Music for all kinds of instruments furnished at short notice.

## CHAS. CHARMAK, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in CIGARS & TOBACCO!

Front street, Marshfield, Adjoining Border Bros' Store. CONSTANTLY ON HAND, A Full Line of Cigars, Cutlery, Fancy Goods, Stationery, Notions, etc., AT SAN FRANCISCO PRICES.

## NOTICE.

COME FORWARD AND SETTLE UP.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO ME are notified and requested to call at the Pioneer Saloon, Marshfield, and square their accounts without further or unnecessary delay. I am preparing to go away and my accounts must be settled up before I depart.

JOHN BEAR.

### Timber Land Notice.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSEBURG, Oregon, December 1, 1883. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALFRED HAGLAND has applied to purchase the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 34 township 24 south, of range 11 west, Willamette meridian, under act of congress of 1878, for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington territory.

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UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, ROSEBURG, Oregon, December 1, 1883. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, PURSUANT to act of congress of June 3, 1878, for the sale of timber lands in the states of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington territory, that JOHN ANDERSON has applied to purchase the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section 28 and the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter and the east half of the northwest quarter of section 33, township 24 south, of range 11 west, Willamette meridian.

Any and all persons claiming adversely any of the above lands must file their claim with the register at Roseburg, Oregon, during the sixty-day publication hereof, and failing to do so, their rights will be barred by statute.

WM. F. BENJAMIN, Register.

### Miscellaneous Advertisements.

**DISSOLUTION NOTICE.**  
THE COPARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between MATT. MATTON and VICTOR ANDERSON, in the Pioneer Saloon business, has been dissolved by mutual consent. Hereafter the business will be carried on by Matt. Matton, who feels under the public for past favors and requests a continuance of the same at the old stand.

MATT. MATTON.  
VICTOR ANDERSON.  
Marshfield, Or., November 14, 1883.

## BLANCO HOTEL,

Marshfield, Coos County, Oregon

### FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS

And Reasonable Charges.

Having lately completed a large addition to the above hotel, and having had an extensive experience in this line of business, we can safely guarantee to our patrons comfort and accommodations excellent by no other house on the bay.

The reading room of this hotel contains the leading papers of the Atlantic States and the Pacific coast.

FERREY & HOLLAND, Proprietors.

## CENTRAL HOTEL!

Corner of Front and A streets, MARSHFIELD, OREGON.

JOHN J. KRONHOLM, - - - Proprietor

THIS WELL-KNOWN AND FAVORITE HOTEL has just been entirely refitted and furnished throughout and is again open to the public for patronage.

New beds and spring mattresses have been placed in almost every sleeping room of the house and neither trouble nor expense has been spared to put everything in first-class order. At the bar is to be found the best brands of wines, liquors and cigars.

A new entrance to the dining room, and the tables will always be supplied with the choicest market afford.

J. J. KRONHOLM, Proprietor.

## THE MARSHFIELD

## Hardware Store

KEEPS ON HAND A SUPERIOR quality of

TIN, COPPER and

SHEET-IRON WARE.

Of home manufacture, in connection with a well-selected stock of

## General Hardware

Stoves and Ranges,

Wood and Willow Ware,

Farm Tools and Implements,

Coal, Iron and Steel,

Pumps,

Water Pipe and Fittings,

Paints, Oils and Brushes,

Doors and Windows,

Harness and Trimmings,

Glassware,

Lamps and Crockery,

Plated and

Granite Ware,

Rope,

Rifles, Pistols and Ammunition,

Fishing Tackle,

Bird Cages,

Terra Cotta Chimney Pipe,

Etc., Etc.

Job Work and REPAIRING done at short notice.

E. O'CONNELL, Prop'r.

## E. B. DEAN & CO.

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AND

C. H. MERCHANT.

WE HAVE ALWAYS ON HAND A FULL Assortment of

## General Merchandise

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MANUFACTURED TO ORDER

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SOLD IN ANY QUANTITY DESIRED

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LOWEST LIVING PRICES.

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AS A LOVER OF MUSIC, YOUR humble servant has had an experience of many years in training choirs, glee clubs and quartette classes, both in the eastern states and on the Pacific coast.

My aim is to culture the mind of musical talent of this modern age and to give to those of limited means an unsurpassed opportunity to train their children in harmony, vocal and instrumental music at a very trifling expense.

Before the quarterly term will begin, the undersigned will retire from his present occupation. The pupils will be divided into classes, according to the principal's estimate.

The first term of school will begin on the 3d of January, 1884.

All communications in reference to terms, etc., must be delivered to me on or before the 25th of December. Address

PROF. D. R. MATTHEWS, Marshfield, Coos county, Or.

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### Miscellaneous Advertisements.

## R. MAINS, TAILOR!

FRONT STREET, MARSHFIELD

JUST RECEIVED,

## FALL

AND

## WINTER GOODS!

Stock of Foreign and Domestic Hats and Fancy Suits of

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

Which will be sold at BOTTOM PRICES.

Ready-made goods bought at this shop altered and pressed free of charge.

Give me a call. [seto] R. MAINS.

## NASBURG & HIRST,

FRONT STREET, MARSHFIELD, OGN.

## NEW GOODS BY EVERY STEAMER

or keep constantly on hand in our large and commodious store, a well selected stock of

## GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

consisting of the best staple and fancy

## DRY GOODS.

of all kinds, the choicest

## GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

A LARGE STOCK OF

Clothing, Hats and Caps, Boots and Shoes, Rubber and Oil Clothing,

Oil Cloths, Slippers, Crockery, Glass and Hardware, Tools,

CIGARS and TOBACCO.

Paints, Oils and Varnishes; Choice

Wines and Liquors; Tinware, Ammunition, Cutlery, Wood and Stationery, Furnishing Goods, Hosiery, Etc., Etc., Etc.

Our extensive show cases are filled with the finest

## MILLINERY AND FANCY GOODS.

PRICES TO SUIT THE TIMES.

N. B. - All goods purchased at our Store will be delivered free of charge at any point on the route of the steamer Myrtle.

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## ROGERS' NEW STORE

South Coos River.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS JUST RECEIVED and opened up for sale, at his new store at his place on South Coos river, an extensive stock of

## GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

EMBRACING

Groceries, Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Cutlery, Crockery and Glassware, Tobacco, and almost everything the market demands, all

which will be sold at

## THE LOWEST LIVING RATES,

And persons living on the river, as well as elsewhere, will find it to their interest to call and trade with me.

ja8 S. C. ROGERS.

## SELANDER & HONGELL,

Front street, : : Marshfield, Oregon

Second door north Bay View Brewery.

## BOOT & SHOE STORE

NEW GOODS!

WE HAVE JUST RECEIVED AND opened up a new and complete stock of Boots and Shoes of the best make and finest quality, including everything in that line worn by men, women and children.

Also, Rubber Boots, Overshoes, etc. Men's Shirts, Underclothing, Socks, Hats, etc. Cigars, Tobaccos, Stationery, Cutlery, and other articles too numerous to mention.

BOOTS AND SHOES MADE TO ORDER, of the best French kip and calf, at lowest prices. We sell goods cheap; give us a call and see.

SELANDER & HONGELL.

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CONSTANTLY ON HAND

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Chairs & Lounges,

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TABLES, MIRRORS &c.

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Made to Order.

COFFINS made at shortest notice

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F. MARK, PROPRIETOR

## STAR SALOON,

Front street, Marshfield, Oregon,

(Opposite O'Connell's Store),

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## CHOICE WINES AND CIGARS

AND THE BEST

## Bourbon Whiskies

KEPT AT THE BAR,